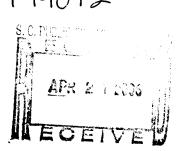
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April 19, 2006

Mr. Charles L.A. Terreni Chief Clerk of the Commission SC Public Service Commission P. O. Drawer 11649 Columbia, SC 29211

RE: Annual Review of Purchase Gas Adjustment and Gas Purchasing

Policies of Piedmont Natural Gas Company

Docket No. 2005-4-G

2006-4-G

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Enclosed please find for filing an original and ten (10) copies of the Petition to Intervene of the South Carolina Energy Users Committee ("SCEUC") in the above-captioned matter. By copy of this letter, I am serving all parties of record and requesting that each serve me with all outstanding motions or other pleadings, together with all discovery response served to date and to be served.

I have enclosed an extra copy of this petition which I would ask you to date stamp and return to me in the enclosed stamped self-addressed envelope. If you have questions, please do not hesitate cto contact me.

Sincerely Yours,

ELLIOTT & ELLIOTT, P.A.

Scott Elliott

SE/jcl Enclosures

cc: All parties of record (w/Encl.)



STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. 2006-4-G

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PETITION TO INTERVENE

IN THE MATTER OF:

Piedmont Natural Gas Company

Annual Review of the Purchased Gas

Adjustments (PGA) and Gas Purchasing

Policies

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The South Carolina Energy Users Committee ("SCEUC") hereby petitions the South Carolina Public Service Commission ("Commission") pursuant to R.103-836 of the Commission's rules and regulations to intervene and be made a party of record in the above-captioned docket. In support of this Petition, SCEUC would allege as follows:

- 1. That on April 6, 1988, the Commission issued its Order No 88-294 which requires the annual review of the Purchased Gas Adjustment and the Gas Purchasing Policies of Piedmont Natural Gas Company ("Piedmont").
- 2. The Commission has assigned Docket No. 2006-4-G to the referenced matter and set a hearing for July 19, 2006.
- 3. That SCEUC is an association organized in the State of South Carolina, consisting of large industrial consumers of energy which are engaged in various manufacturing enterprises throughout the State.
- 4. That a number of members of SCEUC purchase and consume substantial amounts of natural gas from Piedmont.

- 5. That SCEUC and its members have a direct and material interest in the issues to be addressed and resolved by the Commission in this docket and the interests of its members are not adequately represented by the current parties to this proceeding.
- 6. That given the state of the record at this stage of the proceedings, SCEUC lacks sufficient information to fully develop and state its position in this proceeding at this time.
- 7. That granting SCEUC's request to be made a party of record in this proceeding is in the public interest, is consistent with the policies of the Commission in encouraging maximum public participation in issues before it, and should be allowed so that a full and complete record addressing its views and concerns can be developed.
- 8. That in accordance with Rule R. 103-804 (S) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, Petitioner is represented by counsel in this proceeding:

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WHEREFORE, Petitioner prays for the following relief:

- a. That this Petition to Intervene be accepted and that Petitioner be made a party of record;
- b. That Petitioner be allowed to participate fully in this proceeding and take such positions as it deems advisable; and

c. For such other and further relief as is just and proper.

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Columbia, South Carolina

April 19, 2006

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned employee of Elliott & Elliott, P.A. does hereby certify that she has served below listed parties with a copy of the pleading(s) indicated below by mailing a copy of same to them in the United States mail, by regular mail, with sufficient postage affixed thereto and return address clearly marked on the date indicated below:

RE:

Annual Review of Purchased Gas Adjustment and Gas

Purchasing Policies for Piedmont Natural Gas Company

DOCKET NO.

2006-4-G

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PLEADING:

PETITION TO INTERVENE BY SOUTH CAROLINA

ENERGY USERS COMMITTEE

April 19, 2006

Jackie Livingston, Paralegal